THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously presented) An editing apparatus comprising:

an edit list recognition unit for recognizing an edit list describing edit contents in a general-purpose data description language, the edit contents used for creating a series of video content by editing a plurality of edit material;

a video content creation unit for creating the video content by performing an editing process on the plurality of edit material based on the edit contents of the edit list wherein the video content creation unit creates the video content by executing the editing process after converting the plurality of edit material into a prescribed edit format suitable for the editing process and extracting desired video content of the plurality of edit material based on a plurality of edit point information;

an editing processor for performing an editing process on the video content created by the video content creation unit; and

an edit list creation unit for creating a new edit list described in the general-purpose data description language based on the editing process executed by the editing processor.

2. (Original) The editing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the edit list recognition unit recognizes the edit list describing effect information and meta data information as contents of the editing process.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Original) The editing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

the edit list recognition unit recognizes the edit list described in an XML (eXtensible Markup Language) as the general-purpose data description language.

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5. (Original) The editing apparatus according to claim 4, wherein

the edit list recognition unit recognizes the edit list described in an SMIL (Synchronized Multimedia Integration language) in which the XML is specialized for video data and audio data.

6. (Previously presented) An editing method comprising:

an edit list recognition step of recognizing an edit list in which edit contents are described in a general-purpose data description language, the edit contents used for creating a series of video content by editing a plurality of edit material;

a video content creation step of creating the video content by performing an editing process on the plurality of edit material based on the edit contents of the edit list wherein the video content creation step creates the video content by executing the editing process after converting the plurality of edit material into a prescribed edit format suitable for the editing process and extracting desired video content of the plurality of edit material based on a plurality of edit point information;

an editing processing step of performing the editing process on the video content created in the video content creation step; and

an edit list creation step of creating a new edit list described in the general-purpose data description language based on the editing process executed in the editing processing step.

7. (Previously presented) The editing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

said plurality of edit point information indicates IN-points and OUT-points of said edit list.

8. (Previously presented) The editing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein

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